

Presidential Search



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The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia is conducting a nationwide search for a strategic thinker and proven administrative leader to serve as **President of Valdosta State University**. The President is responsible for effectively building on VSU's steadily growing enrollment, expanding facilities, leading-edge learning technology and high-quality undergraduate and graduate programs.

The responsibilities of the VSU President include:

- In collaboration with VSU's internal and external stakeholders, implement, evaluate, refine, and advance a vision, mission, and strategic plan that is aligned with the University System of Georgia's strategic plan
- Oversee a sound budgetary and fiscal planning process that sustains and enhances VSU's long-term financial strength and utilizes the institution's resources to their fullest
- Work effectively with the Board of Regents and local, state, and national agencies and organizations in advocating the current and future needs and plans of VSU
- Foster a vibrant and empowered learning community through a proven leadership style that evokes trust, welcomes collaboration, reflects confident decision making, and effectively engages the talents and experiences of the administration, faculty, staff, and students
- Recruit, develop, and lead staff and administration effectively

An earned doctorate or appropriate terminal degree with experience in teaching, scholarship and service is required. The successful candidate also will demonstrate:

- Extensive knowledge of and experience with academic communities of higher learning and possess a strong commitment to high academic standards and to the enhancement of teaching, learning and scholarship
- Knowledgeable and judicious budgetary and fiscal planning and oversight
- Ability to develop and implement long-term strategic plans
- Commitment to shared governance (faculty, staff, and students)
- Commitment to the professional development of faculty and staff, and a track record of developing people and leaders
- Commitment to a progressive vision and the future growth of the university in terms of teaching, scholarship, service, population, finance, technology and facilities
- Ability to communicate effectively and inspire confidence
- Essential leadership in fund-raising, working collaboratively with the stakeholders and advancement staff to implement successfully the university's program for resource development
- Commitment to diversity among faculty, students, and staff

A regional university in the University System of Georgia, VSU is a dynamic community of scholars focused on teaching, research, innovation and service. With an operating budget of more than \$100 million, the University has an enrollment of 13,059 students and employs more than 1,500 faculty, staff and administrators. VSU offers 73 undergraduate degrees and 59 graduate degrees in on-campus, online and hybrid delivery formats. More than 150 student organizations are active on campus.

Scholarship and academic research at VSU are constantly growing, including the active pursuit of applied research projects that provide technical expertise throughout the university's service region. The university enhances the south Georgia region economically and culturally through partnerships, including the South Georgia Medical Center, Valdosta Lowndes County Chamber of Commerce, P-12 educational initiatives, the VSU Symphony, and the VSU Theatre.

VSU is located in Valdosta, Georgia, a progressive city of approximately 50,000 situated along the Florida-Georgia border. The University has two campuses, totaling more than 368 acres, located less than a mile apart. Since 2004, VSU has completed more than \$200 million in construction. VSU is a NCAA Division II member institution and competes in the Gulf South Conference in football, basketball, baseball, tennis, golf, cross-country, softball, volleyball, and soccer.

VSU is part of the University System of Georgia, governed by an 18-member Board of Regents. The Board oversees thirty-five colleges and universities: four research universities, two regional universities, thirteen state universities, eight state colleges, and eight two-year colleges. USG website: www.usg.edu.

Applications and Nominations

Send nominations and letters of application (a cover letter, complete curriculum vitae, and references) to:

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